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In the application of: William J. Barz

Application No.: 10/646,439

Group No.: 3612

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For: STRUCTURAL REINFORCEMENT MEMBER AND METHOD OF USE THEREFOR

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### REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

#### TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:
  - i. Prior to abandonment of the application
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## ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is:

An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. § 1.98)  
Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

## FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of other than small entity.

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: 790.00

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	20 - 26 = 0	x \$ 18.00	= \$ 0.00
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		TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$ 0.00

No additional fee for claims is required.

## EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

**TOTAL FEE(S) DUE**

**7. The total fee(s) due is/are:**

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$790.00
Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	\$0.00
<b>Total Fee(s) Due:</b>	<b>\$790.00</b>

**PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE**

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

Check is attached for the sum of \$790.00.

Please charge any required additional fee(s) for § 1.17(e), § 1.16(b)-(d) and/or § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to Account 50-1097.

## INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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